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Dear Mr. Corbin,

Approval of the Kenai LNG plant export license extension is important to the economy and energy security of South central Alaska. Specifically, the continued operation of the plant provides the following positive contributions:

- Preservation of the LNG plant infrastructure provides options to either continue exports into the future or convert the plant into a re-gasification facility should the need ever arise.
- There is no utility market demand for the gas planned for export in the 2009 to 2011 timeframe. If the gas cannot be exported, it may be shut-in which would likely result in lost reserves and reduced deliverability.

For the reasons described above, the continued operation of the Kenai LNG plant is in the public interest. I respectfully request that the Department of Energy approve the LNG export license extension as requested by ConocoPhillips and Marathon.

Sincerely,

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